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In my capacity as representative of the Presidency of the European Union I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a declaration by the European Union on Angola, issued on 1 November 1994.

I should be grateful if you could have the text of this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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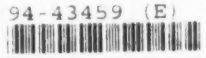

Annex

Statement by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union

The European Union welcomes the initialling of the peace agreement between the Angolan Government and UNITA in Lusaka. The conclusion of this agreement underlines the will of both parties to put an end to a devastating civil war.

The European Union hopes for rapid implementation of the Lusaka agreements as well as for complete and lasting reconciliation. Considering the developments following the "Acordos de Paz" and the elections of autumn 1992 every effort should be made to avoid another derailing of the peace process. The European Union stresses the urgency of agreeing a cease-fire and repeats its call for an immediate end to all military operations. The European Union supports the recommendation of the United Nations Secretary-General to increase the strength of UNAVEM II to its originally authorized level with the view to consolidating the peace accord in its initial and most critical stages. The European Union is particularly grateful to the United Nations Special Representative Mr. Alioune Blondin Beye as well as to the observer troika composed of the United States of America, Russia and Portugal for their successful mediation.

Eighteen years of civil war have devastated Angola and caused terrible sufferings to the people. To rebuild the country will require first and foremost the communal sense and resources of both the Angolan Government and the people of Angola, jointly assisted in that effort by the international community. The European Union will continue its extensive humanitarian aid programme to Angola and is ready to cooperate closely with the Angolan Government in the reconstruction of the economy. This cannot be achieved, however, without lasting peace and true national reconciliation.

The acceding countries Austria and Sweden associate themselves with this statement.